

REMARKS

Claims 1-21 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 22-25 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 1-21 are allowed. Applicants respectfully submit that all of claims 1-25 are allowable. However, merely in an effort to speed prosecution, and to place the Application in condition for immediate allowance, Applicants have canceled claims 22-25.

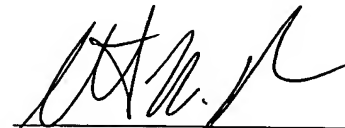
In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that claims 1-21, all of the claims presently pending in the application, are patentably distinct over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a telephonic or personal interview.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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